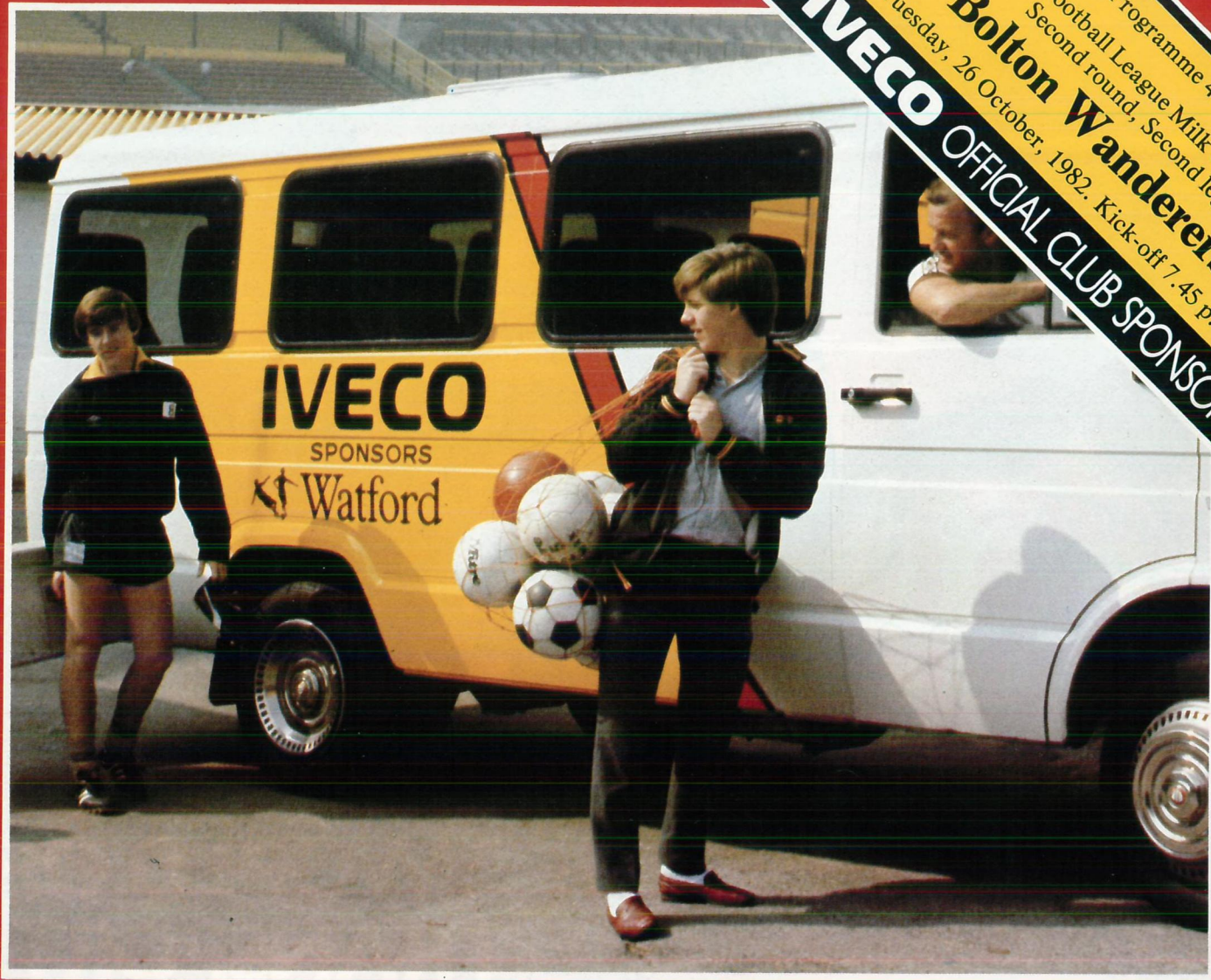




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'Football family'

THE majority of us see football from many different viewpoints, and for me it is right that this should be the case.

To me, a football team is very much like a family—and it suffers and enjoys in many similar ways! So often there are times when we would like to keep things as they are—to avoid change and disturbance—but this is both unrealistic and at times impossible.

Like the family, the team is an ongoing “thing”. It has its moods and variations, and as time goes by, it has no way of avoiding getting older or changing.

Youngsters are “born” into the club and then make their presence in the team. Some leave home and some stay! The older players—like parents—both help the progress and resist the challenge.

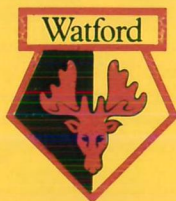
However, whereas life for the normal family is not always about competition—for the football team it is almost nothing else. To survive both individually and as a unit, we have to win, and the standards that are set seem to get higher and higher.

Nobody wants to know a “failure”, and the demand for success reaches great proportions. With this kind of competitive pressure, the manager has to try to preserve unity and try to do the best for all.

We all know that life goes on and that things do change, whether we want them to or not. It is interesting watching our team grow and develop.

The First Division, International calls—I wonder what change is in line for us? As long as on our way, we do not lose sight of the real values I don't think any more can be expected than to just let the “family” grow. We shall see!

Graham Taylor



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TICKETS:

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All tickets purchased in advance will carry a lucky number and be entered for a grand interval draw.

This event will still take place in wet weather and will only be postponed in the event of torrential rain or fog in which case it will take place at the same time on Thursday, 18 November. If in doubt on the day, telephone Watford 44930.

Tickets from: The Ticket Office, Watford Football Club, Vicarage Road Stadium, Watford, Herts. Tel: 20393.

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TODAY'S VISITORS



Bolton Wanderers. *Back row left to right:* Vernon Allatt, Paul Jones, Simon Farnworth, Jim McDonagh, Ian Moores, Gerry McElhinney. *Middle row left to right:* Chris Thompson, Neil Berry, Mike Doyle, Steve Whitworth, Mick Bennett, Tony Henry. *Front row left to right:* Wayne Foster, Dave Hoggan, Jeff Chandler, John McGovern (Player/Manager), Ray Deakin, Peter Reid.

UNDER newly appointed Player/Manager John McGovern, one of the most respected figures in the game, Bolton Wanderers are looking to re-establish themselves after two disappointing seasons under the threat of relegation.

The Wanderers moved to their current home at Burnden Park in 1895 after spells at Park Recreation Ground, Cockles Field and Pikes Lane.

They won the first FA Cup Final to be played at Wembley in 1923 when an estimated 200,000 packed the Empire Stadium to overflowing. They dominated the competition in the twenties, going on to lift the Cup in 1926 and 1929 but they then had to wait until 1958 for

their next major honour when the legendary Nat Lofthouse led them to FA Cup glory when they

Five year Facts

Bolton Wanderers record during the last five seasons is:

1981-82 League 19th (Div 2), League Cup 1st round, FA Cup 4th round.

1980-81 League 18 (Div 2), League Cup 2nd round, FA Cup 3rd round.

1979-80 League 22nd (Div 1), League Cup 2nd round, FA Cup 5th round.

1978-79 League 17th (Div 1), League Cup 3rd round, FA Cup 3rd round.

1977-78 League 1st (Div 2), League Cup 4th round, FA Cup 5th round.

beat the Munich-ravaged Manchester United side. They won the Second Division championship in 1908-09 and 1977-78 and the Third Division title in 1972-73.

After being relegated to the Second Division several times in their early days, they enjoyed an unbroken First Division spell from 1911-1933. From 1935 to 1964 the Wanderers remained in the First Division and in 1970-71 they dropped into the Third Division for the first time in their history. Two years later they were promoted as champions.

They won promotion to the First Division at the end of the 1977-78 season, champions, after twice finishing in third place in the Second Division. Were relegated to the Second Division in 1980.

INTRODUCING



JIM McDONAGH (Goalkeeper). In his second spell with Bolton. Jim rejoined the Wanderers during the summer of 1981 from Everton after a season at Goodison Park. The former Rotherham 'keeper is a Republic of Ireland international.

GERRY McELHINNEY (Defender). Signed from Distillery at the beginning of the 80/81 season, a former Gaelic footballer and amateur boxer, who made his debut for the Wanderers soon after signing.



PAUL JONES (Defender). Re-signed for Wanderers within weeks of being released on a free transfer during the summer. Paul is a quick tackling defender who has been a member of the Under-23 and full England squads.

PETER REID (Midfield). Joined Bolton from school on Merseyside. Was a regular member of the England Under-21 side which he also skippered. A very talented player who had the misfortune to sustain a number of serious injuries which have limited his senior appearances over the past four seasons.

MICK DOYLE (Defender). Veteran former Manchester City and England defender, joined the Wanderers in January from Stoke City for a "nominal fee". Doyle made a dramatic start to his Bolton days conceding an own goal on his debut and being sent off in his second game.

WAYNE FOSTER (Striker). A former local schoolboy, Foster came on to the Wanderers' scene last season and commanded a regular place in the attack. Recognised at representative level.

TONY HENRY (Full back/Midfield). Signed for £125,000 from Manchester City. Tony was one of the unsung heroes of Manchester City's revival last season, he came on as substitute in Manchester City FA Cup Final appearance in 1981. Versatile player who is bound to be a useful acquisition to the Club.

MIKE BENNETT (Defender). A member of the successful England Youth squad which won the 1980 European Youth Championships in East Germany, Mick is quickly establishing himself as one of the most promising defenders in the game.

DAVID HOGGAN (Midfield). Joined Bolton from Tynecastle Boys Club, Edinburgh as an apprentice in November 1977 and signed full professional forms in August 1979. Made his League debut in the First Division at Bristol City in April 1980. Won international recognition with the Scottish Under-21's squad.

STEVE WHITWORTH (defender). Joined Bolton for a bargain £25,000 from Sunderland in October 1981. A stylish, experienced full back with well over 400 League appearances behind him. Whitworth earned seven England caps in his Leicester City days.



JEFF CHANDLER (Forward). Livewire winder with an abundance of skill and control. Jeff cost Wanderers a modest £40,000 when he signed from Leeds United in October 1981. The Hammer-smith born lad, who began his League career with Blackpool has won international recognition with the Republic of Ireland.

THE TROTTERS...

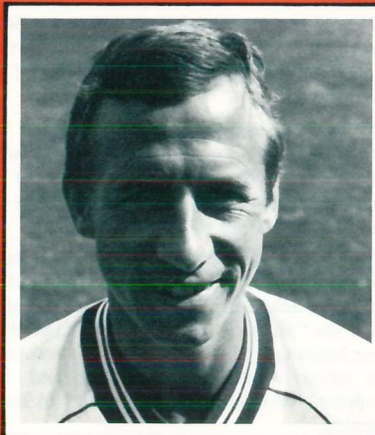
CHRIS THOMPSON (Striker/Midfield). A speedy attacker with plenty of skill. Chris joined the Wanderers from school. He became an apprentice and then went on to sign full professional forms in 1977.

SIMON FARNWORTH (Goalkeeper). Simon has shown enough talent and composure in his formative years to persuade the Wanderers to appoint him as understudy to Jim McDonagh and release the highly experienced Dennis Peacock who returned to Doncaster.



IAN MOORES (Forward). Joined Wanderers in the summer on a free transfer after four seasons at Orient. The 6ft. 2ins. blonde striker made his name with Stoke when he joined as a teenager, and Spurs, where he enjoyed a successful two years.

VERNON ALLATT (Striker). Joined Bolton in the summer on a trial basis after being freed by Halifax.



The Manager

John McGovern was appointed Wanderers Player/Manager in June. One of the games most respected players, he has won League Championship honours with Derby County and Nottingham Forest—whom he also led as captain to two European Cup and two Football League Cup successes. One of Brian Clough's key players at Derby he even spent a short time at Leeds under Clough, later rejoining him at Nottingham Forest.

RAY DEAKIN (Defender). A left back who can also play in midfield, Ray joined the Wanderers in the summer on a free transfer from Port Vale. Began his career with Everton.

NEIL BERRY (Defender). International Youth honours with Scotland launched Neil into what promises to be a first class career. His league debut came in March at Cambridge where he played in midfield.

Our previous league meetings

League Division Two 1981/82

Bolton W. 2 Watford 0
Henry, Thompson Att. 7,066

Watford 3 Bolton W. 0
Blissett 2, (1 pen), Lohman Att. 12,937

League Division Two 1980/81

Watford 0 Bolton W. 1
Poskett, Rostron, Ward Hoggan Att. 11,296

Bolton W. 2 Watford 1
Thomas, Whatmore Armstrong Att. 12,560

League Division Three 1972/73

Watford 2 Bolton W. 1
own goal, Farley Byrom Att. 7,349

Bolton W. 1 Watford 1
Lee (pen) Jennings Att. 17,252

League Division Two 1970/71

Watford 1 Bolton W. 1
Walley Manning Att. 12,010

Bolton W. 0 Watford 1
Att. 9,940 Welbourne

League Division Two 1969/70

Watford 0 Bolton W. 0
Att. 15,774

Bolton W. 2 Watford 3
Seddon, Hurley Green, Endean, Lewis Att. 7,443



HORNETS' NEST

This is how it should be!

WHEN Watford supporter John Ives went into the Swan in Watford High Street for a drink before the match against West Bromwich Albion on 11 September, he was greeted by a few jeers and ribald remarks from some opposition supporters.

"Give us a chance" said John "We're new boys in the first division" and this started off a friendly conversation between the rival fans.

John and his family showed the West Brom party where to go at Vicarage Road before taking their own seats in the West Stand. "They waved at us throughout the match" said John "and at half time we were 2—0 up, I was really choked when they came over and swapped scarves with my 13-year-old son Mark. And only last week a package of programmes, a signed photograph and a pennant arrived in the post for him. This is now supporters should be together. They were very impressed with the atmosphere at Watford and particularly the fact that they weren't fenced in and I think that they were real ambassadors for their club." So Glynne Garrett and friends—West Bromwich should be proud of you and you're welcome at Watford any time.

And this is how it shouldn't be!

WE have received a disturbing letter from a Bolton fan which shows the other side of the coin. We have apologised to Mr. Jones for the behaviour of these so called supporters who only do the image of the club and the football fan, nothing but harm.

Happily we do not receive too many such complaints, but every effort will be made to identify those who behave in such a manner and action will be taken.

Dear Sir,

I was a spectator at the game between Bolton and Watford last night, and I feel strongly that I ought to voice my opinion about some of your "Supporters."

I took my eight-year-old son to see what turned out to be a most open and entertaining game. We took our usual seats in the Manchester Road Stand and we happened to be sat in front of about 10 Watford fans.

These fans, aged about 20, were shouting obscenities throughout the first half of the game. On behalf of the children sat around us I made the "mistake" of asking them to moderate their language. This, of course, only resulted in the swear words getting worse and more frequent. Eventually the police had to issue a warning.

I am not suggesting that you can do anything about this—but in these days of dwindling attendances I would just like to add my support to those people who think that clubs ought to try to control their supporters.

I have never written such a letter before, but I feel so incensed that this great game of ours should be suffering as a result of incidents such as my son and I had to witness from your followers last night.

Yours regretfully,
C. Jones,
Crosshill Road, Blackburn, Lancs.

Set fare for Christmas

IT was a question of perfect timing for some of our lottery and bingo agents. Take for instance Mrs. Joan Shelley, one of our longest-serving agents. She almost forgot to enter her agent's "ticket into the drum for the recent agents" draw,

Happily she remembered in time and her name came out first as the winner of the Super Christmas Hamper complete with spirits. A perfect start for Christmas preparations.

Another agent was doubly fortunate. His name came out of the draw twice, so Mr. S. Laver of Garston left the ground with £40 worth of Christmas spirits and a meal voucher for the Casa-Roma Restaurant in Watford, worth £25.

How does one enter for the draw? By being an agent for the Commercial Office and selling lottery and bingo tickets regularly to your

CHARLIE PALMER and Steve Sims join the birthday-celebrating youngsters of the Family Enclosure. In the match against Norwich, the birthday boys and girls were sponsored by the Watford Head Post Office and were given a special stamp album and stamps to mark the occasion.



HORNETS' NEST



friends and neighbours. For every 100 tickets sold a voucher is put into the draw. The draws are held four times a year offering three super prizes for lottery and bingo agents every time. How about you becoming an agent and selling tickets to your friends? You never know it might be your name which comes out first in the next draw.

The full results of our last draw held at half-time v. Norwich City were:

Lottery

1st: Super Christmas Hamper complete with spirits. Mrs. J. Shelley, Moor View, Holywell Estate, Watford. 2nd. £40 worth of various spirits for Christmas, Balfour Newsagents, Baldwins Lane, Croxley Green. 3rd. A meal for two at the Casa-Roma Restaurant, Watford, One Bell, Public House, High Street, Watford.

Bingo

1st. Super Christmas Hamper complete with spirits, N.S.S. Newsagents, 12 The Parade, Prestwick Road, South Oxhey. 2nd. £40 worth of various spirits for Christmas, Mr. S. Laver, Holland Gardens, Garston. 3rd. A meal for two at the Casa-Roma Restaurant, Watford, Mr. S. Laver, Holland Gardens, Garston.

Trend to mid-week Combination fixtures

THERE is a growing trend for clubs with Football Combination sides, to play their home matches in mid-week. The reasons for this are based on economics.

If you have two sides playing on a Saturday afternoon, then more players are needed. You can function with a smaller staff however, if the reserve side is playing in mid-week.

We prefer Saturday afternoon Combination football because we feel this is the best structure for the progression of players from youth to reserve team and into first-team football.

In general we need attendances of 1,000 to break even at reserve team games and we are currently averaging 400. It costs us £120 to actually open the stadium with the minimum gatemen and stewards. Obviously it costs us

some £50 more for an evening game because of the use of floodlights and amenity lights.

So, with attendances some 600 down on the break-even point, we have to consider restricting reserve team crowds to the use of the Main Stand, so cutting down on our overheads. People would suggest that we let in everyone free but we are not allowed to do so.

Staging reserve team games means that we run at a loss of over £2,000 a year and of course that does not include the payment of win or draw bonuses.

The admission charge for reserve team games is 80p for adults and 50p for children and senior citizens. And if the first team is playing away, we bring you up to the minute score details . . . hopefully a little more accurate than we received the other week. Then we were told that Gerry Jackett had equalised at Bolton and we opted for announcing Kenny Jackett as the scorer. It turned out to be Gerry Armstrong. You can't win them all.

Fifteen gallons of whisky

GRAHAM TAYLOR collected his 15th gallon of Bells Scotch Whisky the other week, when he collected the Manager of the Month Award for September.

His name was selected by 25 leading sportswriters and commentators and it is the first time he has won the overall award as opposed to the divisional successes.

"I have been known to drink the odd tot of scotch but a gallon is an awful lot," says Graham who prefers a glass of white wine.

"We've raffled the bottles, given them away and the first I received at Watford, I took to the Supporters' Club and we got through it in about 20 minutes.

"I kept the first two bottles I received. They are maturing well and are eight or nine years old. They are set aside for my daughters' 18th birthdays. Joanne has two years to go and Karen four."

Instant League tables



HOW do they produce League tables so soon after the final whistle? Well, in the old days there used to be books produced which worked out the goal averages and a quick check would give you the answer. League tables have become simpler since the introduction of goal difference and simpler still with the advance of technology.

The *Watford Observer* demonstrated their Apple micro-computer after the last home match. As soon as the Division One results came through, Nicholas Greenan, son of managing director, Tony Greenan, typed them into the Apple, pressed a button and produced an immediate print out of the Division One table.

Pictured above is Nicholas producing the print out in the boardroom.

■ Watford Supporters' Club hold their Annual Meeting on Friday, 26 November in the 81 Club.



HORNETS' NEST

Murphy's Mob returns to Vicarage Road

AN arrangement between the football club and ATV has resulted in the stadium being used once again for filming scenes of "Murphy's Mob" during October and November.

On Monday, October 18 and Tuesday, October 19, ATV utilised the stadium, the directors' car park, and the guest car park south of the stadium, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and they will be back again on October 29 and November 16.

In addition a number of scenes will be recorded at the stadium on Saturday, November 13 when we play Stoke City. On this day they will be filming the crowd arriving in Occupation Road and moving on to the terraces in the south-east corner from 1 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.

ATV have permission to cover the match with a low camera positioned on the halfway line on the west side of the ground to avoid obstructing the view of seated spectators in the west stand/west stand enclosure.

Shortly before, and during half-time, they will be filming scenes on "the bench" which is to be positioned in front of A/B Stand so as to cause as little obstruction as possible to seated spectators.

During the second half of the match they will be recording "an incident" which will occur in the north west corner of the terrace when a "member of the public" will be led away by two "policemen".

Fireworks tickets rocketing away

TICKETS are now selling like hot cakes for the Fireworks to Music display on Thursday, 4 November. Anyone who came last year will have already spread the word about how excellent it was. This year's display could be even better!

The evening starts at 7.45 p.m. with a display by the Mid-Wales Axe Racing Team who will compete in various tests of skill with axes, chain saws and tree trunks, culminating in a race to build steps in a trunk to get to the top first.

The fireworks display itself will be accompanied by Music from the Popular Classics including the Skaters' Waltz, the William Tell Overture, the Toreadors' March

from Carmen, the Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy from the Nutcracker Suite, the Thunder and Lightening Polka and many other favourites.

You can save money by buying your tickets in advance and every ticket purchased before the night will be entered in a prize draw—the first prize will be four first class rail tickets to anywhere in Great Britain (worth up to £500), second prize a leather football signed by the Watford team; third prize a Pye digital clock plus runners-up prizes of Watford mugs.

Seats are £2.50 each for adults and £1.75 for children under-16 (on sale in advance only) due to limited availability; or standing tickets (Vicarage Road Terrace) are £1.50 for adults and £1.00 for children in advance, or £2.00 and £1.50 on the night.

Tickets are on sale at the Ticket Office or Commercial Office, Vicarage Road Stadium or at the Hornet Shop, 85 Vicarage Road Precinct.

Please note that the display will still take place if it is raining but, in the event of a storm or fog, it will be postponed for two weeks and will take place at the same time on Thursday, 18 November. If you are in doubt on the day, telephone Watford 44930.

■ Wimbledon are holding their Third Annual Programme Fair at Plough Lane on Sunday, 14 November, from 10.30 a.m. until 2.00 p.m.

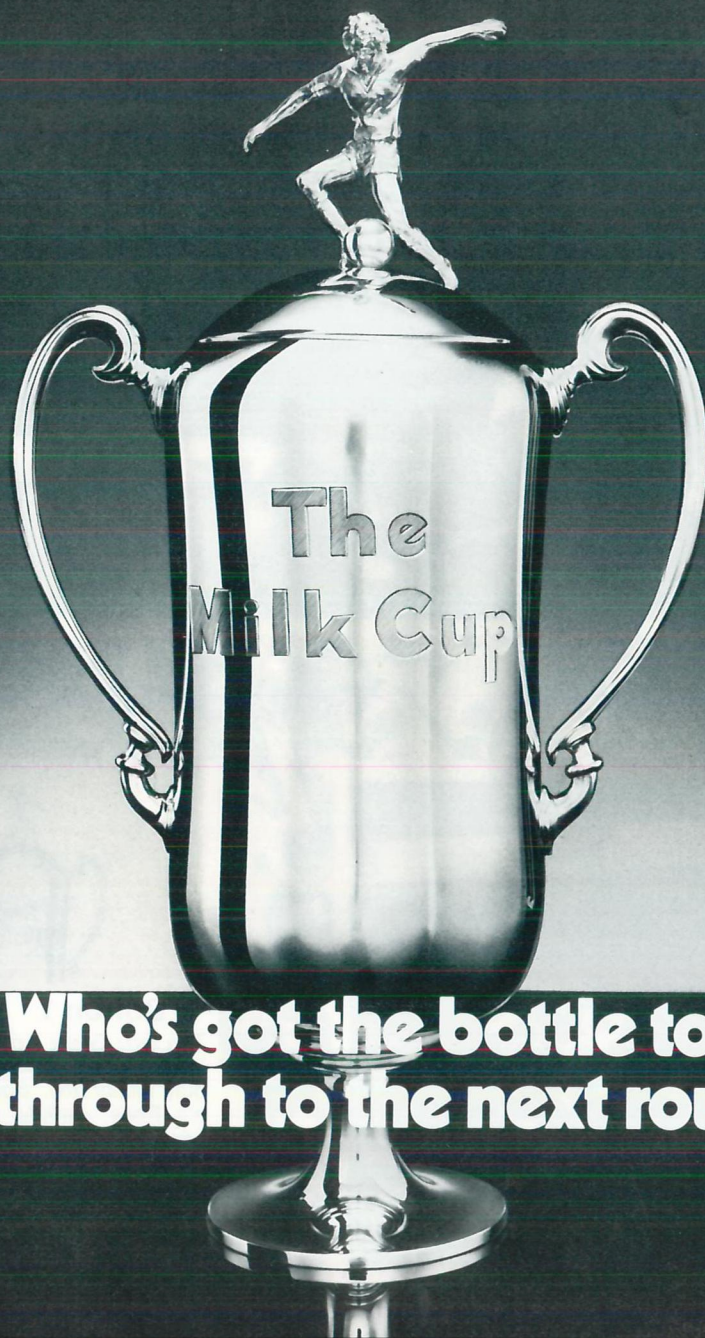
Supporters' branch buys rugs

THOSE fanatical fans from the Isle of Man, Pat and Bryan Sharp, joined forces with other members of the Island Branch of the WFC Supporters' Club and went on a sponsored walk.

Three men and four women shared the 37¼ mile walk around the Island's TT circuit and raised £145. They took 13 miles each and the last walker finished at 7.15 in the evening.

The money went towards purchasing four Watford FC travel rugs which were incidentally, designed and woven on the Island. They were presented by the Sharps at a recent game (*below right.*)





**Who's got the bottle to
get through to the next round?**





Bolton 1 Watford 2

Top left: Gerry Armstrong hammers in the first at Bolton and *Top right:* duly celebrates. *Bottom left:* Heads it's Ross Jenkins nodding in the winner in the first leg while *right:* Gerry Armstrong wins the dual at a cost while *far right:* Nigel Callaghan is a clear winner as he goes for a John Barnes' cross at Bolton.

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Football League Division One

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Meadow Lane

Saturday, 30 October, 1982. Kick-off 3.00

● Coaches depart 11.30 a.m. Travel Club members: adults £5.00, juniors/senior citizens £4.50.

● Train to depart Watford Junction 11.30 a.m. Travel Club members: adults £7.00, Juniors/senior citizens £6.50. Non-members £1 extra.

● Seats at County available. Limited number of £5.00. Ground admission £2.00.

Football League Division One

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

White Hart Lane

Saturday, 6 November, 1982. Kick-off 3.00

● Coaches depart 12.00. Travel Club members: adults £2.00, juniors/senior citizens £1.50.

● Terrace tickets £2.20. South Terrace—Park Lane entrance bookable in advance from Ticket Office **from** Wednesday, 27 October. Seats in South Stand £4.50.

● Postal applications accepted but **tickets are required in advance.**

NB. We have 10 days to sell these tickets.

Southern Junior Floodlit Cup

ASTON VILLA

Monday, 8 November, 1982. Kick-off 7.30

● Coaches depart at 4.30 p.m. Travel Club members: £4.00.

Next games at Vicarage Road Stadium

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Saturday, 30 October, 1982. Kick-off 3.00

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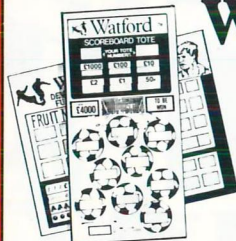
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Football Combination

Tuesday, 9 November, 1982. Kick-off 7.30

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November 13

(Watford v. Stoke City)

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ON SATURDAYS

One of an occasional series, looking at...

CARTOONIST Terry Challis has been a keen follower of all sports. Yet despite the current doubts over the future of football, Terry does not see the game slumping to the degree that both speedway and ice-hockey fell from grace following the post-war boom.

"I agree with Graham Taylor. I think football is sharing in the general recession and gates will level off around the 20,000 mark with all-seater stadiums and modern facilities catering for all their requirements," says Terry.

TERRY CHALLIS Part Two — THE VIEWS

"One thing I do think football can and should learn from is the presentation of all those sports such as speedway and ice-hockey. Why, the build up was entertainment in itself and set the scene.

"Watford have done a lot towards presenting their matches but many others do nothing. There is still a lot of room for improvement.

"Take Speedway at Wembley for instance. The use of fanfares, spotlights, personality emphasis, and that moment that many middle-aged Watfordians will remember, when the opening bars of 'Entry of the Gladiators' was quickly drowned by the roar of a 70,000 plus crowd, eager for the actual event.

"Everyone, including incidental track staff, had a part to play in the overall scenario, it was like an impressive military operation.

"Not bad for 1/6d—old money—including programme.

"Presentation of sport at Wembley is an object lesson. The boxing, ice hockey, speedway and all the rest are presented well. The fanfares, the national anthem, the introductions.

"You enjoyed the whole spectacle before the event actually started. Nowadays you get the

impression that taking your money is the main priority and what happens afterwards is incidental.

"At football matches the teams run out in a haphazard fashion, do a bit of kicking in and then play the match. There is little thought to presentation. The spectator is not overly considered. That is one reason why I deplore the demise of the red and yellow card. It was informative and put the spectator in the picture.

"I wouldn't let teams just run out on the pitch. I'd have a steward holding them back. Then would come the introduction. 'Led by their captain Nobby Pules, comes today's visitors etc, etc.'

"Then the visitors could come out properly and the home club could play the visitors' theme record or song. Give it a bit of class rather than a few players haphazardly running out. Name the visitors, let them take a bow as well . . . especially nowadays, as Watford have visitors who are well known names.



"That way you are all keyed up before the match. The scene is set for the event, and the sheer expectancy of the thing you are all there to see."

Terry admires the American presentation and anything that "helps rather than detracts" from the actual sporting event.

His days on the Vicarage Road terraces stretch back to the late 1940's.

"I was fortunate in that I recall the days when Lawton, Finney and Matthews played, along

with the Mannions and Carters. I enjoyed those days as much as I do today.

"The game has changed but I don't get too wrapped up with all the tactical jargon. The game is either clever, skilful and entertaining or it is not. I don't want to sit down and analyse why. That's half the trouble with the last few years of the game. The professionals have tried to tell us and explain why the game is this way and that. We know what we like.

"I liked the days of Bowie, Mitchell and Holton. They were men with class. My all-time favourite was Duncan Welbourne however. No matter where he played, he'd always give 110 per cent.

"Dennis Bond was another favourite of mine. Pity he went to Spurs. He lost his way there but he was a lovely player as a youngster.

"Of the present players, Luther Blissett rates highly with me. He always gives his all no matter where he plays and no matter what sort of game he is having.

"Watford's style is now working well but to be fair, it wasn't always that attractive when they were working their way out of the lower divisions. It obviously proved effective but I think the club's critics had more validity three to five years ago than they do now," says Terry.

Terry regards his best cartoons as those which appeared in Mike Keen's day. "It is easier and there is more material when the club is going months without an away win. The last five years has been a little harder cartoon-wise, but in the nicest possible way. It's a problem I don't mind having," he adds.

Terry Challis hit just the right note with his allegorical painting, painted some seven years ago. He depicted Elton John pointing the way for lower Division Watford. Part of the painting is reprinted overleaf and poster copies of the entire painting are available at the club's retail outlets.

"Watford are now at the foot of the mountain on which the Liverbird stands," says Terry of his painting.

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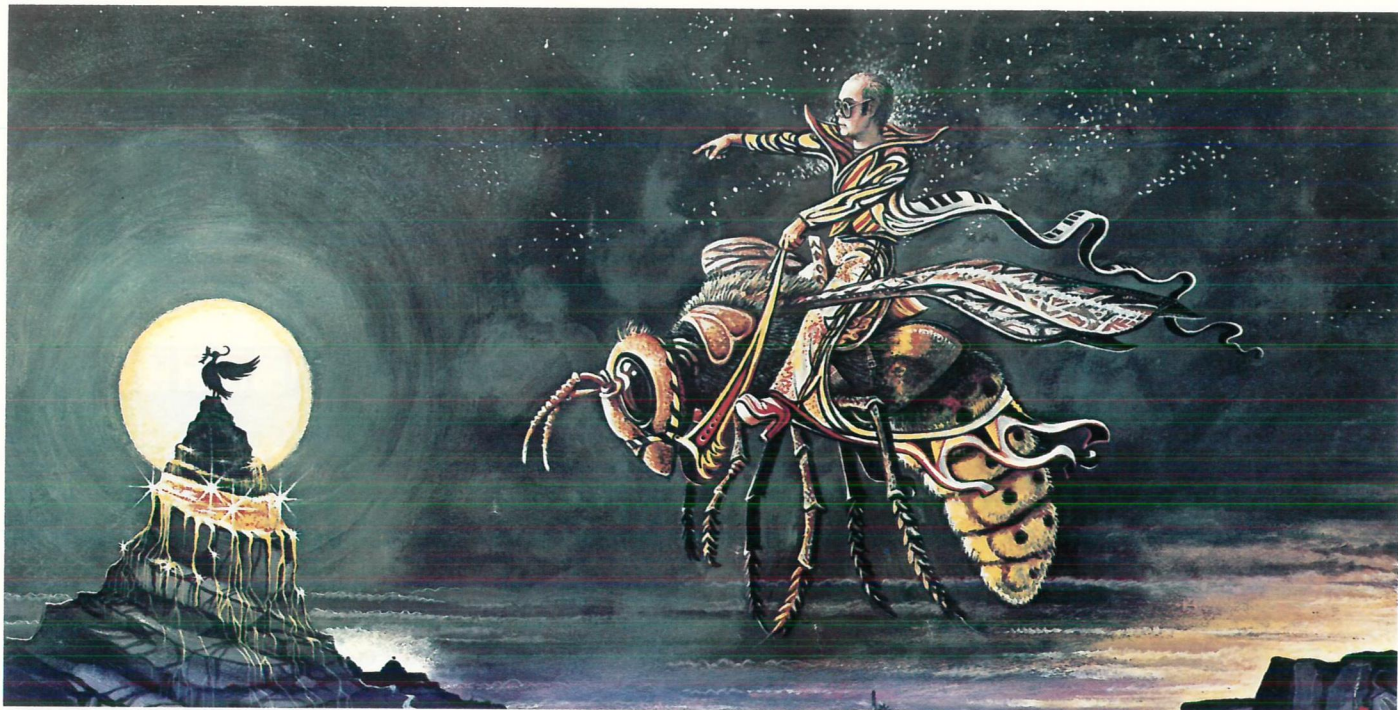


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WATFORD Juniors had already reached the FA Youth Cup Final when it was announced that Steve Harrison would be joining the staff, assisting youth team boss Tom Walley.

What, some people asked, could Steve Harrison add to what had already been achieved. Three players had already come through the ranks into the first team so to the man on the terrace, the youth scheme seemed to be doing very nicely. And indeed it was.

Steve Harrison

But there were many considerations involved in the appointment—not least the “Promotion” of Bertie Mee to the boardroom. He had done much with regard to the organisation, scouting and giving of trials to youngsters with potential and we felt someone was needed to start serving an apprenticeship in this vital department.

“It’s a heavy schedule but I love it,” says Steve. “Tom used to do all of it before and it was amazing. When I was here before, Tom was someone you acknowledged as tremendously keen and enthusiastic but I didn’t have a lot to do with him. Now I see at close quarters how he works and it has been a revelation,”



As with other staff members, Steve’s week starts on Monday morning with a staff meeting, reporting on the weekend’s activities on all fronts.

“Then the training starts and that is usually a very hard physical work out, perhaps a cross-country with Tom standing, goading and driving them up the hill,” Steve relates.

“Then it’s sandwiches for lunch, trying to get through them before Tom pinches half of them. The training finishes around 4.00. Then Tom and I alternate on Monday nights. One week I

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take the schoolboys, the next week he does it. It's great working with young lads especially if it is at the ground. You realise that the very thought of walking on the pitch or looking at the goalmouth, is a magic moment for them."

After that, Steve goes home to "introduce" himself to his wife and kids. On Tuesday it is training again—usually at Stanmore with Tom, Steve and John Ward taking various groups under the direction of Graham Taylor.

In the evening, Steve can be off on a spying mission and writes the report on the opposition before Friday morning's pre-match briefing for the first team.

On Wednesday it is training with the apprentices. "I also watch the specialist goalkeeping training run by Alan Hodgkinson. I like to keep up with what that involves, so that I can use some of it with the schoolboys," explains Steve who has Wednesday afternoons off.



In the evening there is a further coaching session for schoolboys in Chigwell and here again Tom and Steve take it in turns.

On Thursday, after training all morning, the afternoon sessions are devoted to working on the weaker skills of each individual player.

Friday soon comes round with a light-hearted warm-up before the serious preparation for Saturday's match, when Steve's report on the opposition is included in the manager's briefing.

"It's shopping and conker collecting for me on Friday afternoon's and then on Saturday, I watch the juniors if I can before going off to watch whatever match they have chosen for me.

"Sometimes the young pro's such as Kenny, John Barnes, Cally and Steve Terry, join us when we are training the local schoolboys. They help out and it is all part of the involvement with the community.

"Then on Sunday's well, Tom and I alternate there with under-15 games before going home

for Sunday dinner and out with the family for a walk in Cassiobury Park in the afternoon."

A heavy schedule for the 30-year-old, but he loves every minute. "It's unique. It sounds corny but there is a special atmosphere at this club. It is magic. I don't know all the rest of the clubs . . . but this place is special and it is good to be a part of it.

"I love the banter and I'm grateful for the support I have received within the club. Often Tom has given me a free hand and I knew that having played with many of the lads, it might be difficult taking the training. But they've been 100 per cent.



Steve Harrison used to play as an old fashioned defender, behind the likes of Wilf Rostron who now fills his number three shirt. "It's an education watching the lads I used to play with," says Steve.

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"It's a good feeling. The other day we did a really vigorous session, closing players down in a one-to-one situation. Les Taylor came off and remarked that it was a good session. I never realised until coming over on this side that a remark like that does a lot for the coach.

"Mind you Les gave me stick for making it so exhausting, when we were back in the dressing room, but you get my point. The whole place is unique and there is nothing like it.

"Tom works fantastically with the youngsters. He's like a lovable seargent major. Watching him is an experience in itself."

Steve Harrison has an established reputation as the number one joker in the dressing room. But he has made the transition well.

"I thought I'd miss playing more than I do. I suppose I could have gone to a Division 4 club and done a useful job but I love the game and coming back here was the tops for me.

"I had a bad year after I left here and wondered where my future would take me. I wasn't enjoying my football but now I'm back here and I can only say, fate is looking after me.

"I came here four years ago and was impressed but there was no way you could contemplate the sort of transformation that has happened since then. When I left the club, I knew things were bubbling. They were coming together.



"Now I see the players I played with, playing in Division One. I watch them and there is no way I could imagine playing that way. I was an old-fashioned full back, covering and tackling. Some of the things they do . . . well . . . I know I would never have fitted in. It's amazing and exciting.

"I'm concentrating on trying to do a good job here and learn what there is to be learnt. I'm just really glad to be a part of it. I applied for the job John Ward has got. When the boss phoned me up and said I hadn't got it, my heart sank. Then he said there was another job if I wanted it.

"I was down at the club right away."



AUGUST

28 Everton	2-0	19,630	Sherwood	Rice 1	Rostron	Blissett	Bolton	Jackett	Callaghan*	Armstrong 1	Jenkins	Lohman	Barnes	Taylor
31 Southampton	4-1	19,714	Sherwood	Rice	Rostron	Blissett	Bolton	Jackett	Callaghan 2	Armstrong 1	Jenkins 1	Lohman	Barnes	Taylor

SEPTEMBER

4 Manchester City	0-1	29,617	Sherwood	Rice	Rostron	Blissett	Bolton	Jackett	Callaghan	Armstrong	Jenkins	Lohman*	Barnes	Taylor
7 Swansea City	2-1	15,535	Sherwood	Rice	Rostron	Taylor	Bolton	Jackett	Callaghan 1	Armstrong	Jenkins*	Blissett 1	Barnes	Lohman
11 West Brom	3-0	17,638	Sherwood	Rice	Rostron	Taylor 1	Jackett	Bolton	Callaghan	Blissett 2	Armstrong	Lohman	Barnes	Terry
18 Nottingham F.	0-2	16,550	Sherwood	Rice	Rostron	Taylor	Bolton	Jackett	Callaghan	Blissett	Armstrong	Lohman*	Barnes	Jenkins
25 Sunderland	8-0	16,816	Sherwood	Rice	Rostron	Taylor	Terry	Bolton	Callaghan 2	Blissett 4	Jenkins 2	Jackett	Barnes	Armstrong

OCTOBER

2 Birmingham City	1-1	13,870	Sherwood	Rice	Rostron	Taylor	Terry	Bolton	Callaghan	Blissett 1	Jenkins	Jackett	Barnes*	Armstrong
5 Bolton (LC2) (1L)	2-1	5,664	Sherwood	Rice*	Rostron	Taylor	Terry	Bolton	Callaghan	Blissett	Jenkins 1	Jackett	Barnes	Armstrong 1
9 Norwich City	2-2	18,597	Sherwood	Patching	Rostron	Taylor*	Terry 1	Bolton	Callaghan	Blissett	Jenkins	Jackett 1	Barnes	Armstrong
16 Aston Villa	0-3	21,573	Sherwood	Patching	Rostron	Taylor	Terry	Bolton	Callaghan	Blissett	Jenkins*	Jackett	Barnes	Armstrong
23 Coventry City	0-0	17,334	Sherwood	Rice	Rostron	Taylor	Sims	Jackett	Callaghan	Blissett	Armstrong*	Lohman	Barnes	Jenkins

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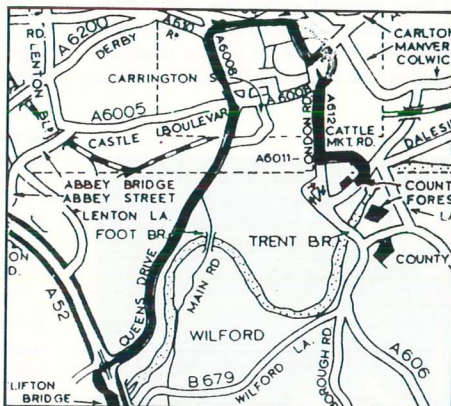
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TODAY'S REFEREE

Alfred W. Grey (Great Yarmouth). Commenced refereeing in Norfolk in 1960 and via the Football Combination qualified for the Football League Full List in 1972. Acted as linesman in the 1976 FA Cup Final and European Cup semi-final 1972, and was an FA Amateur Cup officials in 1972. Refereed the FA Youth Cup Final in 1977 and the FA Trophy Final in 1978. Appointed to the FIFA panel 1977. A

married man, with two sons, he is Production Superintendent for a frozen food company. Apart from interests in gardening, tennis and cricket, collects coins and is choister in his local parish church. He is past President of the Association of Football League Referees and Linesmen, and Vice-President of the Great Yarmouth Referees' Association.

Statistics

DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Manchester Utd.	11	4	2	0	11	4	2	2	1	6	4	22
2 West Bromwich	11	5	0	1	13	4	2	0	3	6	8	21
3 Tottenham	11	4	1	1	21	7	2	1	2	4	6	20
4 Liverpool	11	3	2	0	14	6	2	2	2	7	5	19
5 West Ham Utd.	11	3	1	1	14	5	3	0	3	8	10	19
6 Watford	11	4	2	0	17	3	1	1	3	5	8	18
7 Everton	11	4	2	0	16	6	1	0	4	6	9	17
8 Stoke City	11	3	2	1	14	10	2	0	3	7	6	17
9 Manchester C.	11	3	1	1	7	5	2	1	3	8	11	17
10 Nottingham F.	11	4	1	1	11	4	1	0	4	8	15	16
11 Aston Villa	11	4	0	1	14	5	1	0	5	2	12	15
12 Brighton	11	4	2	0	10	5	0	1	4	2	19	15
13 Luton Town	11	2	2	1	12	7	1	3	2	13	16	14
14 Arsenal	11	2	1	2	7	6	2	1	3	4	6	14
15 Swansea City	11	4	0	2	11	9	0	2	3	3	9	14
16 Coventry City	11	4	0	1	7	4	0	2	4	4	11	14
17 Sunderland	11	2	2	1	7	4	1	1	4	8	18	12
18 Ipswich Town	11	1	1	3	5	7	1	4	1	10	6	11
19 Norwich City	11	2	2	2	9	7	0	3	2	5	12	11
20 Notts County	11	3	1	1	6	7	0	1	5	6	14	11
21 Southampton	11	3	0	2	6	5	0	2	4	4	17	11
22 Birmingham C.	11	1	3	2	5	8	0	1	4	2	15	7

League table as 24 October, 1982.

First Team appearances

	League App	Gls	Milk Cup App	Gls
Armstrong...	7(3)	2	(1)	1
Barnes.....	11		1	
Blissett.....	11	8	1	
Bolton.....	10		1	
Callaghan....	11	5	1	
Jackett.....	11	1	1	
Jenkins.....	9(2)	3	1	1
Lohman.....	6(1)			
Patching.....	2			
Rice.....	9	1	1	
Rostron.....	11		1	
Sherwood....	11		1	
Sims.....	1			
Taylor.....	8(2)	1	1	
Terry.....	4	1	1	

(Subs in Brackets)

Ross — committee not the club

ROSS JENKINS is already well advance with his plans for his testimonial year, which starts at the end of next month. The Testimonial Committee and not the club are working on the fund raising and organisation side of things, so please address all inquiries to that Committee. Plans are in hand to produce a testimonial brochure and Ross is looking for sponsors to donate individual pages. All inquiries should be made to David Wilson on Kings Langley 63087 (H) and Rickmansworth 771134 (B).

Cover picture: Youth team manager Tom Walley collecting apprentices in the clubs new minibus which was donated by our sponsors Iveco.

Reserves



AUGUST

28 Luton Town 1—0 Steele Williams Price Patching Franklin Noonan Sterling Richardson1 Gilligan Cassidy Johnson Palmer

SEPTEMBER

4 Charlton Ath. 4—2 Steele Palmer Price Patching Terry1 Franklin Sterling Richardson1 Gilligan1 Cassidy1 Pritchett Williams

11 Southampton 2—1 Steele Williams Price Patching Palmer Franklin Sterling Richardson1 Gilligan1 Cassidy Johnson Pritchett

14 Fulham 2—1 Steele Palmer Pritchett Patching Terry Franklin Sterling Richardson1 Gilligan1 Cassidy Johnson Williams

18 Bristol Rovers 4—0 Steele Palmer Price Patching Terry Franklin Williams Sterling Gilligan2 Pritchett Johnson1 Cassidy1

21 Millwall 2—2 Steele Patching Pritchett Paris Terry Franklin Sterling Richardson1 Gilligan Cassidy1 Johnson Williams

25 Swansea City 2—2 Steele Patching Pritchett1 Williams1 Palmer Franklin Sterling Richardson Gilligan Cassidy Johnson Price

OCTOBER

2 Chelsea 2—1 Steele Patching Price Williams Palmer Franklin Johnson Richardson Gilligan Pritchett1 Lohman Sterling1

12 Swindon 1—2 Potts Williams Price Lohman Palmer 1 Franklin Cassidy Richardson Sterling Pritchett Johnson Porter

16 Norwich City 3—2 Steele Palmer Price Cassidy Sims Franklin1 Williams 1 Johnson Lohman 1 Pritchett Daniel Noonan

Juniors

Watford Juniors beat Arsenal Juniors 5—2 on Saturday, 23 October, with goals by Neil Williams (3) and Warrell Sterling (2).

AUGUST

28 Norwich City 1—4 Williams Doritis Dalley Grummitt Candlish Piper Stein Strange Sweales1 Porter Hancock Backner/James

SEPTEMBER

4 Orient 3—5 Williams Collins1 Dalley Alzaideidi1 Candlish Gibbs Gumbs Cope Strange Porter Gregson Sweales1/Hancock

11 Portsmouth 4—2 Williams Gibbs Beaumont Alzaideidi Pettifer Candlish Sweales Paris 2 Strange Porter1 Cope Collins/Rowe

18 Queens Park R. 0—6 Williams Gibbs Beaumont Alzaideidi Noonan Pettifer Daniel Candlish Strange Sweales Porter Gumbs/Dalley

25 Millwall 0—2 Williams Gibbs Pettifer Porter Cowell Noonan Dyer Sweales Strange Ward McCafferty Daniel/Gumbs

OCTOBER

2 Southend 2—3 Williams Gibbs Rowe Collins Noonan Pettifer Strange McBride Jones1 Porter Dyer1 Hancock

5 Notts Co (SJFC) 1—1 Williams Williams (N) Rowe Cassidy Cowell Noonan Sterling 1 Jones Porter Dyer Candlish/Collins

9 Tottenham 0—2 Williams Williams (N) Dalley Cassidy 1 Noonan Pettifer Sterling Strange Jones Porter 1 Dyer Daniels/Collins

14 Notts Co (SJFC) (Replay) aet 4—2 Williams Williams(N)1Gibbs Cassidy Noonan Cowell 1 Sterling 1 Strange Jones 1 Porter Dyer Dalley/Daniel

16 West Ham Utd. 1—5 Williams Dalley Rowe* Gibbs 1 Pettifer Cowell Collins Strange Jones Porter Dyer Hancocks

Watford



- 1 Steve Sherwood
- 2 Martin Patching
- 3 Wilf Rostron
- 4 Les Taylor
- 5 Steve Terry
- 6 Ian Bolton
- 7 Nigel Callaghan
- 8 Luther Blissett
- 9 Ross Jenkins
- 10 Kenny Jackett
- 11 John Barnes

Sub.

Bolton W.



- 1 Jim McDonagh
- 2 Mike Bennett
- 3 Ray Deakin
- 4 John McGovern
- 5 Paul Jones
- 6 Gerry McElhinney
- 7 Chris Thompson
- 8 Jeff Chandler
- 9 Peter Reid
- 10 Ian Moores
- 11 Simon Rudge

Sub.

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